

# Howard County Coalition to End Homelessness

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## Coalition to End Homelessness Board

### Meeting Minutes

12/21/2018

#### Attendees:

X	Kelli Cimino, Chair	X	Peter Engle	X	Cassandra Killingsworth
X	Bill Salganik, Vice-Chair		James Le'Mon		Sandy Monck
X	Jacqueline Scott		Bita Dayhoff	X	Lisa Terry
X	Fran Trout		Ayesha Holmes		Karen Booth
X	Linda Zumbrun		Kelly McLaughlin		Sheryl Neverson
	Jack Kavanaugh	X	Joe Willmott	X	Jennifer Pollitt-Hill
X	Stan Levi		Roe Bonaccorsy		Kimberly Eisenreich

#### Staff:

X	Rose Burton	X	Michelle Hippert	X	Jennifer Corcoran
X	Keisha Benjamin		Liz Van Oeveren	X	Megan Godfrey Jackson
X	Cara Baumgartner	X	Cheryl Mattis		

#### Public Attendees:

Name	Organization
Anne Brinker for Bita Dayhoff	CAC

Meeting was called to order at 9:07 am

Kelli Cimino welcomed everyone to the meeting

Minutes from 11/27/2018 were moved for approval by Linda Zumbrun and seconded by Fran Trout. All were in favor.

#### Coordinated Entry: Prioritization – Linda Zumbrun, Chair of Coordinated Entry Committee

The prioritization chart was handed out to the group. People who are literally homeless would be placed before imminently homeless, except for extreme circumstances. Chronic are placed before non-chronic. Safety is the top priority and thus the VI-SPDAT scoring system is used to assess a person's vulnerability. Certain groups are thought to be more vulnerable than others; unaccompanied youth then families with minor children and then single people. Veterans are given special consideration. A panel is being formed that will meet twice a month to discuss outliers with special circumstances that may not be reflected in their VI-SPDAT score. Bill Salganik moved to adopt the prioritization and Jennifer Pollitt-Hill seconded. The room agreed with no objections.

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## **Announcements**

### **2019 PIT Count and Resource Fair, January 24, 2019 – Keisha Benjamin, HMIS Administrator**

Would like at least eight vendors at the resource fair and will be handing out backpacks with supplies. The public-school system will be doing most of the transportation, with United Way and Lyft assisting. The police department will have eight officers to accompany volunteers as they travel through the community. Half the volunteers needed have signed up at this time.

### **Homeless Persons' Memorial Day – Jennifer Corcoran, CSHS Services Coordinator**

The memorial is December 21, 2018 at the North Laurel Community Center. Everyone was invited to attend. Thirty people who have died directly or indirectly from homelessness in Howard County will be honored.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 10:47 am

**Next Meeting:** January 30, 2019, 12:00-4:00 PM, at 9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, MD 21046

National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH) will lead a training on best practices of an effective Homeless Response System. A Coalition Board meeting will follow the conclusion of the training.